

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : Attorney Docket No. 2006\_0165A  
Takemori TAKAYAMA et al. : **Confirmation No. 1859**  
Serial No. 10/570,045 : Group Art Unit 3679  
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SINTERED SLIDING MATERIAL, SLIDING : **Mail Stop: AMENDMENT**  
MEMBER, CONNECTING DEVICE AND  
DEVICE USING THE SLIDING MEMBER

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**AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action of January 15, 2010, the period for response having been extended for three months by the attached petition, please amend the above-referenced U.S. patent application as follows: